

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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5 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA :
6 v. : S2 17 Cr. 686 (LAK)
7 James Gatto, :
8 Merl Code, and :
9 Christian Dawkins, :
10 Defendants. :
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14 Recorded Conversation
15 2017.06.20 Q1D58_Camera1_Card2_FSH_0002

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17 Date: June 20, 2017
18 Time: N/A
19 Participants: Munish Sood
20 Marty Blazer
21 Jill Bailey
22 Christian Dawkins
23 Merl Code
24 Jeff
25 Alicia Carroll

(U/I) - UNINTELLIGIBLE
(PH) - PHONETIC SPELLING

1 JEFF: Amateur status. And so that --

2 CODE: And so (U/I) -- there's no money.

3 JEFF: (U/I) --

4 CODE: there's no money transferring --

5 JEFF: Because ultimately that's what you want --

6 CODE: There's no money transferring hands

7 typically --

8 JEFF: Yeah.

9 CODE: -- as a kid politically (U/I).

10 JEFF: Yeah.

11 CODE: There's no money changing hands, right, from

12 the grassroot sector to him going to college

13 supposedly. Now again, if he goes to --

14 Nike pays -- Nike schools pay too. I mean

15 it's a (U/I).

16 JEFF: Yeah.

17 CODE: It's a corrupt space as it is and cheating

18 is cheating. Whether I give you a dollar,

19 100,000 or I get your mom and dad jobs, it's

20 cheating.

21 BAILEY: Cheating.

22 CODE: Right. So in some form or fashion, Duke,

23 North Carolina, Syracuse, Kentucky, and all

24 of the schools are doing something to help

25 get kids. That's just a part of the space.

1 Now, if if I have an Adidas kid who is high
2 on my radar and he goes to Kentucky or Duke,
3 I have to just make sure that we have
4 managed the relationship enough that we
5 maintained - because again I told you, those
6 factors at Kentucky (U/I).

7 BAILEY: So you continue to stay in contact with them
8 if they do (U/I) school or do you just --

9 CODE: Contact -- I'm trying to go to the games.
10 I'm trying to meet them on the road. I'm
11 trying -- I don't even --

12 BAILEY: Okay.

13 CODE: -- I need to be visible and present.

14 BAILEY: Okay.

15 CODE: Right. And if the kid is that important, I
16 need to be there. Right. Because I need to
17 fight off somebody because the out of sight,
18 out of mind is really in play here. Because
19 you have guys who are going to camp, send
20 people to move into their city and they're
21 (U/I) camp, they're going to walk around
22 with bookbags like they're going to class.
23 They're going to walk to class with the kid
24 every day. It is a mess because there's so
25 much money involved.

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